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SUBJECT: BOMBING IN MERSIN

REF: A. A) 8/30/06 TELCON DRSO ANKARA - OPS CENTER
[1](#)B. DS COMMAND CENTER
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[1](#)D. B) ANKARA 4972

[1](#)1. (SBU) Summary: On Wednesday, August 30, 2006 at approximately 1310 hours local an explosion occurred in the tourist port city of Mersin injuring one person. End summary.

[1](#)2. (SBU) At approximately 1310 hours local, an explosion occurred in the shopping area of downtown Mersin. TNP contacts report that the device (NFI) was placed in a garbage container in the shopping area. One turkish woman was injured, but they are not considered life threatening.

[1](#)3. (SBU) There has been no claim of responsibility for this bombing although the KGK-affiliated Taybazen Azadiya Kurdistan (TAK - Turkish Freedom Hawks) has been linked to similar attacks in the past.

[1](#)4. (SBU) Per Reftel B, an update on the Antalya bombing: TAK has claimed responsibility for the bombing.

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